National Weather Service



MEDIA ADVISORY

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Several National Weather Service Des Moines Product Headers Will Change on November 9, 2004

At 10:00 A.M., Tuesday November 9, 2004, the National Weather Service in Des Moines will change several World Meteorological Organization (WMO) communication headers, and/or the second line of the product header, known as the AWIPS identifier, to reflect modern site location identifiers. If November 9th is declared a "critical weather day" by National Weather Service Headquarters, the implementation will be changed to November 16th.

The National Weather Service in Des Moines will be changing product headers along with all other National Weather Service offices across the county to complete the product header modernization.

A listing of the product headers requiring change can be found at the following web site (all lower case):

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/datamgmt/cid.html

Once the page opens, click on the combined phase link to open spreadsheets listing all products, including those products requiring change.

It is very important that all users of National Weather Service forecasts, warnings and other products ensure that their communication system directories exactly match the new headers being implemented. Failure to do so will prevent these products from reaching their intended audience.

Here are product header changes of frequently used products:

Product New WMO Header

New AWIPS ID

Administrative Message NOUS73 KDMX

DSMADMDMX

Monthly Climate Summary for Des Moines CXUS53 KDMX

DSMCLMDSM

Monthly Climate Summary for Waterloo CXUS53 KDMX

DSMCLMALO

Hydrologic Outlook FGUS73 KDMX

DSMESFDMX

Flood Watch	WGUS63 KDMX DSMFFADMX
Non-Precipitation Advisory/Watch/Warnings	WWUS73 KDMX DSMNPWDMX
Public Information Statement	NOUS43 KDMX DSMPNSDMX
Record Report	SXUS73 KDMX DSMRERDSM
Hydrology Report	SRUS43 KDMX DSMRRMDMX
Hydrologic Summary	SRUS43 KDMX DSMRVADMX
Max/Min Temperature and Precipitation Table For Central Iowa	ASUS63 KDMX DSMRTPDMX
Daily Sunshine Product	CXUS63 KDMX

DSMSCDDMX

Severe Weather Watch Redefining Statement

DSMSLSIA

Winter Weather Watch/Warning/Advisory WWUS43 KDMX

DSMWSWDMX

WWUS63 KDMX

These are the main product header changes, but there are several other less frequently used product headers changing. Refer to the product header spreadsheet.

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